

NOTES

- Introductions
- Interests:
 - MO:
 - Disruptions/changes in cultures and communities will be coming with migration
 - Culture not part of the conversation with regard to migration
 - Main Street LA program is interested in the receiving communities and cultural shifts
 - HB:
 - Integration of people and the landscape.
 - Receiving communities are seeing unplanned and rapid growth. Flood risk is more common and getting worse.
 - No public green spaces left and/or planned for the communities.
 - Concerned with identifying places that want more population but also want to keep communities and culture together
 - Flood insurance and land loss will force people to move but we can do a better job of driving dev't into places that are safer.
 - Engaging local people in larger conversations and new economies that support culture and the arts.
 - Creating a sense of community where you are
 - MS:
 - Has watched his family migrate away from flooding.
 - Looking for overall objectives between groups
 - TB
 - Functions of natural systems within urban and suburban areas
 - Risk reduction and risk recognition in local communities
 - Well-being of people who are impacted by multiple disasters
- Issues/Questions to explore:
 - How can we instill sense of place and encourage investment in cultural spaces within communities?
 - How do you help sending communities understand that relocation is not failure. Resilience means survival, and this often has to happen out of harms way.
 - What can the state do to help communities move together? Think about St. Bernard/St. Tammany relocation efforts.
 - Without planning – people will leave the state and this will harm our tax base. The state needs to recognize this and invest in our communities
 - What are the sectors we could support? Local agriculture, broadband investments, arts/culture,
 - Rather than pushing people to a tipping point/retreat, give them something of quality they can move to/thrive.
 - How to you maintain enough for people to have a place to return to that they recognize.

Next steps:

- Recommendations on what to address. The issues and research threads.
- We want to be in a position to drive the conversation rather than just react or show up to meetings.
- Governors office is looking for places to invest the fed infrastructure dollars. How can this prioritization start to include the receiving communities as a key part of the investment strategies?
- How can incentives help support people and communities and not just corporations that are negatively impacting the state and its people. State needs to take a role in this.
- Identifying receiving communities and opportunities
- Reach out to LMA about need to identify receiving communities.
- Receiver community conversations, include discussions around 1) ordinances, flood insurance/CRS, and safe development; 2) alternative transportation options; 3) creative placemaking groups and communities
- Next meeting: 5/19 @ 11am. Create Jam board - Development of themes to move forward

Is a position needed for receiving communities?

BCC offers definitions for the different receiving communities. unintentional / intentional

What resources are needed?

Informing the working group.

Task involved / social group